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1. 研究成果概要(試料の名称、組成、物理的・化学的性状を明記するとともに、実験方法、利用の結果得られた主なデータ、考察、結論、図表等を記述してください。

Outline of experimental results (experimental method and results should be reported including sample information such as composition, physical and/or chemical characteristics.

#### Sample Information

2014A: Ba<sub>8</sub>Ga<sub>16</sub>Sn<sub>30</sub> single crystals

2014B: ScF<sub>3</sub> powder

#### Experimental Condition

2014A: Fermi 200Hz, E<sub>i</sub>=12.0, 20.6, 41.8, 130.0 meV (multi-E<sub>i</sub>); RT; rotating crystal measurement

2014B: Fermi 250Hz, E<sub>i</sub>=15.8, 25.5, 42.9, 121.1 meV (multi-E<sub>i</sub>); 7K, 295K, 520K

#### Results

The main purpose of our project is to develop the G(r,E) analysis which can be transformed from the S(Q,E) map obtained by inelastic neutron scattering (INS) measurement. So far, the G(r,E) analysis is mainly applied to the disordered materials such as liquid and glass. Thus, it should be important to expand the applicability of G(r,E) analysis. In this study, we obtained INS spectra of both single crystalline (2014A Ba<sub>8</sub>Ga<sub>16</sub>Sn<sub>30</sub>) and polycrystalline (2014B ScF<sub>3</sub>) samples as preliminary data for G(r,E) analysis.

At first, the experimental results on single crystalline Ba<sub>8</sub>Ga<sub>16</sub>Sn<sub>30</sub> are given in Fig.1 which shows the neutron intensity map of transverse phonons along the [0LL] direction near (400) reciprocal lattice points. We have found that the data statistics and resolution in Fig.1 is too poor to obtain the correct G(r,E) data. Certainly, more intensity and sample amounts should be needed for G(r,E) analysis of single crystalline sample.

Next, we will discuss the data of polycrystalline ScF<sub>3</sub> which exhibits a large and isotropic negative thermal expansion (NTE). The INS measurement of this material performed by Li[1] has received a lot of attention[2]. Li and colleagues have shown the temperature dependent peak shifts for several phonons in density of states. However, our results were partially contradictory to their results. In particular, we found that the low-energy peak around 5 meV shows hardening behavior with increasing temperatures as shown in Fig.2, although Li and colleagues did not mention it.

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These features are common in other NTE materials such as  $ZrW_2O_8$  and  $Ag_2O$ . In order to complete our study, we have to be careful in several aspects. Firstly we will check the quality of  $ScF_3$  powder sample by X-ray analysis.

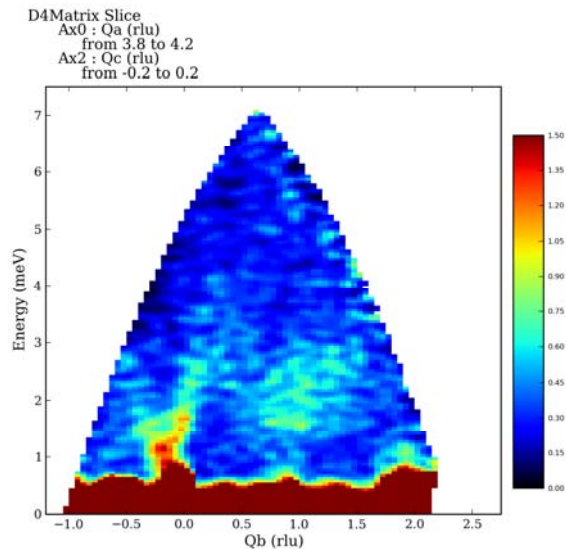


Fig.1: The neutron intensity map of single crystalline  $Ba_8Ga_{16}Sn_{30}$ . Transverse phonon along the  $[0LL]$  direction near  $(400)$  reciprocal lattice points is shown.

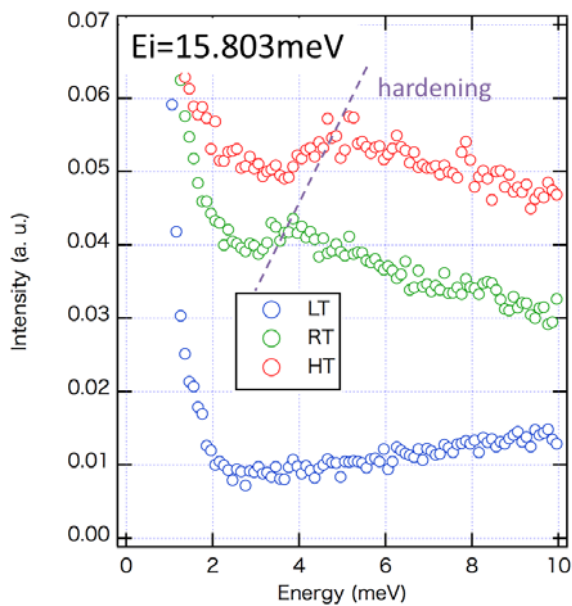


Fig.2: Temperature dependence of low-energy peak of  $ScF_3$  powder. Here LT, RT and HT mean 7K, 295K and 520K, respectively.

[1] Chen W. Li *et al.*, Phys. Rev. Lett. **108** (2011) 195504.

[2] J. Paul Attfield, Nature **480** (2011) 465.

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